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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN - CANELA INDIAN ANTHROPOLOGY PROJECT

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1. FOR MANY YEARS SMITHSONIAN ASSOCIATE CURATOR OF
ANTHROPOLOGY WILLIAM H. CROCKER HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN
ETHNOGRAPHIC RESEARCH ON THE CANELA INDIANS OF BRAZIL. AS
STATED REFTTEL, CROCKER'S RESEARCH BEING CONDUCTED WITH

COOPERATION OF BELEM'S MUSEU PARAENSE EMILIO GOELDI AND
RIO DE JANEIRO'S MUSEU DO INDIO.

2. CROCKER RETURNING TO BRAZIL MARCH 2ND FOR NEW SEASON
FIELD RESEARCH. WOULD LIKE TO SEND CERTAIN RESEARCH
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MATERIALS INCLUDING SLIDES, TAPE CASSETTES, PROCESSED
MOVIE FILM, NEGATIVES AND MICROFILM ROLLS THROUGH
ADDRESSEE POSTS TO COOPERATING MUSEUMS. THESE ARE COPIES
OF RESEARCH MATERIALS PREPARED DURING PREVIOUS FIELD
RESEARCH ON CANELAS, AND CROCKER WOULD LIKE FOR MUSEUMS TO
HAVE THIS MATERIAL AHEAD OF HIS MARCH 2 ARRIVAL SO THAT
THEY WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW. SMITHSONIAN THERE-

FORE REQUESTS BELEM AND RIO DE JANEIRO ASSISTANCE TO
FORWARD MATERIAL RESPECTIVELY TO SR. EXPEDITO COELHO ARNAUD,

DEPARTAMENTO DE ETNOLOGIA, MUSEU PARAENSE EMILIO GOELDI AND
DR. NEY LAND, DIRECTOR, MUSEU DO INDIO (FUNAI), RUA MATA
MACHADO, 127, MARACANA. POSTS SHOULD ADVISE SMITHSONIAN
TO WHOSE ATTENTION MATERIALS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED FOR
FORWARDING.

3. CROCKER HAS PERMISSION TO COMMENCE RESEARCH AMONG THE

CANELA'S BEGINNING MARCH 1ST FROM THE CONSELHO NACIONAL
DE DESENVOLVIMENTO CIENTIFICO E TECNOLOGICO AND FROM

THE INDIAN SERVICE (FUNAI). CROCKER MAY WISH TO SEND
CERTAIN MATERIALS SUCH AS UNEXPOSED FILM AHEAD TO BELEM,
BUT WILL CARRY RESEARCH EQUIPMENT SUCH AS CAMERAS (2
MOVIE, 3 STILL) 5 RECORDERS, TYPEWRITER, BATTERIES
AND SIMILAR ITEMS AS ACCOMPANYING BAGGAGE. WRITING PAPER,
FOOD AND CAMPING EQUIPMENT WILL BE OBTAINED IN BRAZIL.

4. RIO DE JANEIRO AND BELEM PLEASE ADVISE SMITHSONIAN
WHETHER THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO RECEIVE AND FORWARD
MATERIALS AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. CHRISTOPHER

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